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INITIATIVE TO COMBAT NUCLEAR TERRORISM

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¶1. (SBU) After receiving reftel demarche points and non-paper, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) Senior Policy Advisor for Non-proliferation David MacDuff said on November 20 that Canada believes the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GICNT) is struggling to find direction and coherence. MacDuff commented that he hoped the GICNT partners can find consensus in the coming months on a comprehensive strategy that is "coherent and progressive." He said the group's work agenda needs to be coherent in the sense that it should follow a well thought out strategy, rather than a "scattershot approach" based on which expert can be rounded up to attend a particular meeting, or seeking to satisfy competing inter-agency interests by including any and all themes. MacDuff added that the work agenda should also be "progressive" in the sense that each experts' meeting should build on the previous one and each meeting should have some thematic relationship to the previous one.

¶2. (SBU) MacDuff promised to coordinate with Public Safety Canada to generate specific comments on the model guidelines document and provide them directly to the POCs.

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